

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the Claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 2-4, 16 and 18 without prejudice.

1. (amended) An applicator device for cleaning the teeth and mouth comprising an elongated tubular shaft member with an applicator tip member positioned at one end, and an oral care composition positioned inside said tubular shaft member and adapted to be released and passed into said applicator tip member for use in cleaning a person's teeth, tongue and mouth, wherein said applicator tip member ~~has~~having at least one abrasive surface and wherein said applicator tip comprises a sponge material and has a three-dimensional wedge shape suitable for cleaning the spaces between teeth.
2. (cancelled) The applicator device as described in claim 1 wherein said applicator tip member has a wedge shape.
3. (cancelled) The applicator device as described in claim 1 wherein said applicator tip member has abrasive material on at least one of its external surfaces.
4. (cancelled) The applicator device as described in claim 1 wherein said applicator tip comprises a bundle of fiber members.
5. (original) The applicator device as described in claim 1 wherein said oral composition is positioned in a frangible container inside said tubular shaft member.
6. (original) The applicator as described in claim 1 further comprising a second plugging material positioned inside said tubular shaft member, said second material preventing said oral care composition from passing into said application tip member until desired by the user.
7. (original) A applicator as described in claim 1 further comprising a pick member positioned at the end of the tubular shaft member opposite said applicator tip member.
8. (original) The applicator device as described in claim 7 wherein said pick member is removable from said tubular shaft member.

9. (original) The applicator device as described in claim 8 further comprising a groove in said tubular shaft member in order to facilitate removal of said pick member.
10. (original) The applicator device as described in claim 1 wherein said tubular shaft member is made from a flexible material, wherein said oral care composition can be passed into said applicator member by manually flexing and squeezing of said flexible material.
11. (original) The applicator device as described in claim 1 wherein said oral composition comprises at least one essential oil.
12. (original) The applicator device as described in claim 1 wherein said tubular shaft member has gripping means thereon to assist in being held during use.
13. (amended) A method for cleaning a person's teeth and mouth, said method comprising the steps of:
 - a) providing an applicator device having an elongated tubular shaft member with an applicator tip member at a first end, wherein said applicator tip comprises a sponge material and has a three-dimensional wedge shape suitable for cleaning the spaces between teeth and wherein said applicator tip member has at least one abrasive surface;
 - b) providing an oral care composition inside said tubular shaft member,
 - c) passing said oral care composition from said tubular shaft member and into said applicator tip member, and
 - d) applying said oral care composition in said applicator tip member on a person's teeth, gums, tongue and mouth.
14. (original) The method as described in claim 13 wherein said oral care composition is a liquid material and said oral care composition is passed into said applicator tip member by manual manipulation of said tubular shaft member.
15. (original) The method as described in claim 13 further comprising the step of encapsulating said oral care composition in a frangible capsule and positioning said capsule inside said tubular shaft member.
16. (cancelled) The method as described in claim 13 wherein said applicator tip member has a wedge shape.

17. (original) The method as described in claim 16 further comprising the step of providing at least one abrasive surface on said tip member.
18. (cancelled) The method as described in claim 13 wherein said applicator tip member comprises a bundle of fiber members.
19. (original) The method as described in claim 13 wherein said oral care composition is applied by manually rubbing said applicator tip member on a person's teeth, gums, tongue and mouth.
20. (original) The method as described in claim 13 further comprising the step of providing gripping means on said tubular shaft member to assist in allowing it to be held during use.